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## Box STATUS

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Re: **Status Inquiry – 3<sup>RD</sup> REQUEST**  
Applicant: MICHAELSON, ET AL.  
Invention: STERILIZATION APPARATUS FOR ORTHODONTIC BANDS  
Application No. 10/050,400  
Filing Date: 01/15/2002  
Group Art Unit: 1744  
Our File: STES104

Dear Sir/Madam:

On March 4, 2003, our office received a status letter stating the application would be examined within 9 to 12 months from the date of the letter (February 25, 2003, enclosed). We have yet to receive an Office Action.

Please provide me with the status of the above-referenced utility patent application.

Thank you.

Best regards,

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To: Applicant of Serial Number 10050400

We project that this application will be first examined in 9 to 12 months from today.

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